

GRANTS / FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES UPDATE
WEEK OF DECEMBER 17, 2018
HAPPY HOLIDAYS! WE'LL BE BACK IN 2019.

ANIMALS

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Supporters can also contribute directly to charity by purchasing Gifts that Give More™, where one hundred percent (100%) of their donation is given to charity, or by purchasing one of the 4500+ products that we carry, including jewelry, apparel, and gifts. There is a charity royalty of from 5-30% paid on every item purchased from any of the GreaterGood Network's online stores.

Scroll down the page & you'll see "HELPING ANIMALS/ANIMAL RESCUE SITE," which affords you the opportunity to **CLICK IT DAILY**, for which you'll receive a "Thank You — your click has been counted! Today, you have given the value of .6 bowls of food to rescued animals."

AND you can spend another moment clicking on the Breast Cancer site to receive the message: "Thank You — your click has been counted! Today, you are helping another woman in need get a free mammogram."

The **Doris Day Animal Foundation** makes grants to nonprofit organizations for animal welfare, human assistance animals, the care and feeding of animals, and pet adoption and rescue. Currently, a primary focus area is assisting senior companion animals for food, care, veterinary costs, or need for adoption. Interested applicants should first submit a letter of inquiry including: * A short history and purpose of your organization, *Description of the project where you would like help, and * The amount of funding you are seeking. Funding is available nationwide. **Letters of introduction will be accepted January 1 through January 31, 2019.**

<https://www.dorisdayanimalfoundation.org/grants/guidelines-and-faq>

ARTS / CULTURE

Five percent of eco-friendly online retailer **Artfully Reimagined's** profits go to artists devoted to creating works from recycled objects, in the form of Reimagine It Grants. These unconditional, non-matching awards are made directly to individual artists to help launch or support careers in the inspiring world of repurposed art. Awards are based on the creative excellence of works submitted for review and are awarded to a limited number of artists of outstanding talent. Submitted pieces must be an original work; created within the past twelve months in the United States; and be made with a minimum of 70 percent of found, reclaimed, recycled, repurposed, vintage, or upcycled objects. At the time of application, the applicant must be at least 18 years old and a citizen of the United States.

Grant awards range between \$100 and \$500. **DEADLINE: OPEN.**

<http://www.artfullyreimagined.com/ReimagineltGrant>

Founded in 1956, the Chicago-based **Graham Foundation for Advanced Studies in the Fine Arts** provides project-based grants to individuals and organizations and produces public programs to foster the development and exchange of diverse and challenging ideas about architecture and its role in the arts, culture, and society. To that end, grants of up to \$30,000 will be awarded to nonprofit organizations to **assist with the production and presentation of significant programs about architecture and the designed environment** in order to promote dialogue, raise awareness, and develop new and wider audiences; support them in their effort to take risks in programming and create opportunities for experimentation recognize the vital role they play in providing individuals with a public forum in which to present their work; and help them to realize projects that would otherwise not be possible without our support. Overall, the foundation is most interested in opportunities which enable it to provide critical support at key points in the development of a project or career. **To be eligible**, applicants must be a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization. Under some circumstances, the foundation will make grants to other entities when there is clear evidence that the public interest will be served — for example, in the case of a publisher or an emerging organization that does not yet have tax-exempt status. **The foundation will begin accepting applications on January 9, 2019. LOI Deadline: February 15, 2019.**

http://www.grahamfoundation.org/grant_programs?mode=organization

ATHLETICS / SPORTS

The **USA Swimming Foundation** serves as the philanthropic arm of USA Swimming. Established in 2004, the foundation works to strengthen the sport by saving lives and building champions — in the pool and in life. Whether teaching children how to swim through its Make a Splash initiative, or providing financial support to the U.S. National Team, the foundation aims to provide the wonderful experience of swimming to kids at all levels across the country. To that end, the foundation is accepting applications for its **Make a Splash program**. Through the program, grants totaling more than \$600,000 will be awarded in 2019 through Spring and Fall funding rounds. Funding will be provided to programs directly benefiting children who would not otherwise receive the opportunity to learn to swim, and individual grant awards will range between \$1,000 and \$15,000, depending on the service category. To be considered, applicants must be a Make a Splash Local Partner in good standing and provide a detailed project

budget and program narrative as part of their application. Interested swim-lesson providers who are not yet Make a Splash Local Partners will need to complete the Local Partner application prior to December 31, 2018, to be eligible for 2019 grant funding. Local Partner application can be accessed on the webpage. **Deadline: January 15, 2019.** <https://www.usaswimmingfoundation.org/utility/landing-pages/news/2018/12/05/2019-usa-swimming-foundation-grant-applications-now-open-to-make-a-splash-local-partners>

CHILDREN / YOUTH

The **Gloria Barron Prize for Young Heroes** celebrates inspiring, public-spirited young people from diverse backgrounds all across North America. Established in 2001 by author T.A. Barron, the Barron Prize honors outstanding young leaders the ages of 8 and 18 who have had a significant positive impact on people, their communities, and the environment. Each year, up to twenty winners each receive \$10,000 to support their service work or higher education. Since its inception, the Barron Prize has awarded more than half a million dollars to hundreds of young leaders and has won the support of the National Geographic Education Foundation, Girl Scouts of the USA, and the National Youth Leadership Council, among other organizations. The Barron Prize welcomes applications from public-spirited young people who are between the ages of 8 and 18; a permanent resident of and currently residing in the United States or Canada; currently working on an inspiring service project or have done so within the past twelve months; and working as an individual. The Barron Prize does not accept applications from large groups of young people. **The prize will begin accepting applications on January 7, 2019. Deadline: April 15, 2019.** <https://barronprize.org/apply/>

CONSERVATION / ENVIRONMENT

The **National Forest Foundation** was established by Congress to support the Forest Service in its management of America's National Forests and Grasslands. The **Foundation's Matching Awards Program (MAP)** provides grants to nonprofit organizations, universities, and Native American tribes throughout the U.S. to engage in on-the-ground conservation and restoration projects that have an immediate, quantifiable impact on the National Forest System. Funded projects must address one of the following focus areas: The **Outdoor Experiences category** supports projects that improve the quality, condition, and care of outdoor experiences in National Forests. The **Forest Health category** supports citizen-involved projects that maintain or restore ecosystem resiliency in National Forests. The Foundation also encourages projects that integrate the Outdoor Experiences and Forest Health program areas. **All grants require at least a one-to-one cash match through non-federal donations.** In addition, MAP requires projects to show a strong commitment to civic engagement and community involvement through the direct involvement of the public. Projects must benefit [US National Forests and Grasslands](https://www.nationalforests.org/grant-programs/map). Although they are technically eligible for funding, the NFF currently funds very few projects that do not physically take place on National Forest System lands. **The proposal deadlines for 2019 are January 23 and June 13.** <https://www.nationalforests.org/grant-programs/map>

EDUCATION

An initiative of the **National Endowment for the Arts** in partnership with Arts Midwest, **NEA Big Read** broadens our understanding of our world, our communities, and ourselves through the joy of sharing a good book. Showcasing a diverse range of contemporary books that reflect many different voices and perspectives, the NEA Big Read aims to inspire conversation and discovery. **NEA Big Read** annually supports approximately 75 dynamic community reading programs, each designed around a single NEA Big Read selection. Organizations selected to participate in NEA Big Read receive a grant, access to online training resources and opportunities, digital resources, and promotional materials designed to support widespread community involvement. **NEA Big Read** applicants submit proposals to host a series of community events presented at a variety of locations over the course of one month or longer. Events use the same NEA Big Read book as a point of departure and encourage participants to engage both with the book and fellow community members. Each NEA Big Read program includes: a kick-off event, often attended by high-profile leaders and other local luminaries; major events inspired by the content and themes from the book (e.g., panel discussions and author readings); artistic events related to the book (e.g., art/writing contests, film screenings, and theatrical performances); and book discussions in diverse locations involving a wide range of audiences. **Eligibility:** Be a 501c(3) nonprofit organization; a unit of state, local, or tribal government; or a tax-exempt public library located within the United States or its territories. Eligible organizations may apply for a grant ranging from \$5,000 to \$15,000. **DEADLINE: January 24, 2019.** <https://www.artsmidwest.org/programs/neabigread/guidelines>

The **Aim High** grant program, funded by the New York Life Foundation and administered by the Afterschool Alliance, supports out-of-school programs serving middle school youth nationwide. The focus of Aim High is to help economically disadvantaged eighth-graders reach ninth grade prepared to succeed in high school by supporting afterschool, summer, and expanded learning programs. Funded programs must serve a high percentage, at least 75 percent, of low-income youth. In 2019, the Aim High grant program will provide 26 awards nationwide as follows: eight awards of \$100,000 over two years, eight awards of \$50,000 over two years, and ten awards of \$15,000 for one year. **DEADLINE: January 25, 2019.** <http://www.afterschoolalliance.org/awards.cfm#NewYorkLifeOverview>

The Point Foundation empowers promising lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer students to achieve their full academic and leadership potential — despite the obstacles often put before them — and make a significant impact on society. Since, 2002, the foundation has awarded approximately four hundred scholarships to LGBTQ students of merit and currently is providing financial assistance and programmatic support to ninety-eight students. The foundation currently is inviting applications from LGBTQ students who will be enrolling in undergraduate or graduate programs for the 2019-20 academic year. The program is designed to address the particular challenges LGBTQ students face paying for college: 83 percent of LGBTQ students are using their own money for school, compared to 53 percent of all first-year college students. Even then, about 70 percent of LGBTQ students need financial assistance to start school, compared to 44 percent of all first-year students. Once selected, each scholar is paired with a mentor and participates in leadership development training with fellow Point Scholars. Point Scholars give back to the LGBTQ community by completing an individual community service project each year. After graduation, scholars become part of Point's growing alumni network, connecting them with caring individuals and professional contacts in a wide range of fields across the nation. **Deadline: January 28, 2019.** <https://pointfoundation.org/point-apply/apply-now/>

SPiE (International Society for Optics and Photonics) is an international society that works to advance an interdisciplinary approach to the science and application of light. As part of its education outreach mission, SPiE will award grants to support optics- and photonics-related education outreach activities. The society offers two kinds of grants: **SPiE Education Outreach grants and Sustaining grants.** **To be eligible**, applicants must be a nonprofit organization such as a university, optics center, science center, primary and secondary school, youth club, industry association, or international optical society. Reading about [previously funded grants](#) will be helpful (and interesting). **Deadline: January 29, 2019.** <http://spie.org/education/education-outreach-resources/education-outreach-grants?SSO=1>

MathWorks Math Modeling Challenge is a contest for high school juniors and seniors. Through participation, students experience what it's like to work as a team to tackle a real-world problem under time and resource constraints, akin to those faced by professional mathematicians working in industry. The Challenge awards \$100,000. The Challenge is entirely Internet-based with no registration or participation fees. Eligibility: 11th and 12th graders from anywhere in the United States, including territories and DoDEA schools, may participate. Homeschool and cyberschool students in those areas are also eligible. Teams must be comprised of three to five students and one teacher-coach and a maximum of two teams per high school may register. **Deadline: February 22, 2019.** <https://m3challenge.siam.org/>

National Science Foundation's Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching. This year's awards will honor science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and/computer science teachers working in grades 7-12. Applicants must: teach science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and/or computer science as part of their contracted teaching responsibilities at the 7-12 grade level in a public (including charter) or private school; hold at least a bachelor's degree from an accredited institution; be full-time employees of the school or school district as determined by state and district policies, with responsibilities for teaching students no less than 50% of the school's allotted instructional time; have at least five years of full-time employment as a K-12 teacher during which science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and/or computer science has been a part of the applicant's teaching duties prior to the 2018-2019 academic school year; teach in one of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Department of Defense Education Activity schools, or the U.S. territories as a group (American Samoa, Guam, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and U.S. Virgin Islands); be U.S. citizens or permanent residents; and not have received the PAEMST award at the national level in any prior competition or category. **State Coordinators: Dr. Marla Davis** - mdavis@mdek12.org, 6013593461. Areas of Expertise: K-6 Science, K-6 Mathematics, 7-12 Science, 7-12 Mathematics. **Dr. Jackie Sampsell** - sampsell@mdek12.org, (601) 359-2605. Areas of Expertise: K-6 Science, 7-12 Science. **Deadline: March 1, 2019.** <https://www.paemst.org/home/view>

Have you looked at www.talkingfingers.com? Dr. Jeannine Herron wants to expand this opportunity in Mississippi. She's available to partner with school districts and nonprofits providing out of school tutoring.

HEALTH / MENTAL HEALTH

The **AmerisourceBergen Foundation** is the separate, non-profit charitable organization of the AmerisourceBergen Corporation. Its mission is to provide funding for programs and organizations that focus on expanding access to quality healthcare and to strengthen communities around the world. The **Opioid Resource Grant Program** provides organizations with funding to combat the epidemic of opioid misuse. Priority is given to three areas of focus: safe disposal, education about prevention, and innovative solutions. Funding requests for treatment, recovery, or treatment-related research will not be considered. **Eligibility:** Nonprofit organizations and municipalities and their departments are eligible to apply for this program. Collaborations and partnerships are encouraged but not required.

The size of individual grants will vary up to a maximum of \$100,000 per grant. The average grant size will be between \$50,000 and \$75,000. **Deadline: Letters of intent will be accepted from January 1 through February 15, 2019, and again from July 1 through August 15, 2019.** <https://www.amerisourcebergen.com/abcnew/foundation>

A Little HOPE supports organizations that provide bereavement support services and grief counseling to children and teens who have experienced the death of a parent, sibling, or loved one. To be considered, applicants must e-mail (no telephone calls) the name of their program, website address, names of executive director and program director, and location of the program. No other information is needed or will be processed. Strong preference will be given to applicants who demonstrate a commitment to the use of community trained volunteers. Grant award amounts are based on the scope and budget of the project. Introductory e-mails are accepted year round. Upon review, selected applicants will be invited to submit a complete application. **Deadline: Open.** <http://www.alittlehope.org/granting>

MISCELLANEOUS

Within the U.S., **Sony** focuses the majority of its charitable giving on **art, culture, technology and the environment**, with a particular emphasis on education in each of those areas. While support in other areas may also be considered, the Company seeks to apply its financial, technological and human resources to the encouragement of the creative, artistic, technical and scientific skills required of tomorrow's workforce. The company welcomes requests for support throughout the year within the guidelines on the webpage: https://www.sony.com/en_us/SCA/social-responsibility/giving-guidelines.html

The **Kresge Foundation** is dedicated to promoting human progress by helping to improve the lives of low-income people living in America's cities. The Foundation's **Next Generation Initiative** invests in nonprofit and public human services organizations working to advance social and economic mobility for children and families. The initiative is a two-year program consisting of three components: 1) leadership development; 2) development of a community of practice; and 3) the creation of organizational and cohort action plans designed to advance and accelerate social and economic mobility using a two-generation, whole-family approach. Grants of up to \$500,000 over two years will be awarded to up to ten human service organizations and agencies. **Deadline: January 15, 2019.** <https://kresge.org/library/kresge-human-services-program-next-generation-initiative-faq>

The Terri **Lynne Lokoff Children's TYLENOL, Children's ZYRTEC National Child Care Teacher Awards** acknowledge the critical role of child care teachers in providing quality early care and education. Child care teachers from all 50 states and the District of Columbia and on U.S. military bases and installations around the world are eligible to apply for these awards. **Applicants must be** full-time child care teachers employed in a home, group, or center-based program for a minimum of three years and meet other eligibility guidelines. As part of the application process, teachers are asked to design an enhancement project for the children in their classroom or home, illustrating the educational, social, and emotional benefits from the project. Fifty selected teachers will each receive a \$1,000 grant: \$500 to create the project and \$500 for the teacher's personal use. Of the 50 teachers, one is selected to receive the Helene Marks Award, which includes an additional \$1,000 grant. **Applications must be postmarked by January 21, 2019.** <https://www.tlccf.org/2019-application/>

Tyson Open at-large grants: Tyson Foods seeks proposals from IRS registered non-profit organizations to help them implement programs and improve the quality of life in Tyson communities. All proposal ideas are welcome. The most competitive proposals deliver programs within **20 miles of a Tyson plant**, have defined outcome statements, and clearly demonstrate how the community and Tyson's manufacturing workforce could be involved. Tyson Foods encourages consideration of the following subjects: * Programs that increase the availability and affordability of low-income housing and day care facilities ** Providing financial counseling services to families earning less than \$50,000/year ** Building community connections between immigrants and longer-term residents ** Promoting local economic development programs ** Advancing English literacy skills. **Proposals are due April 1, 2019. Awards will be announced by June 1, 2019. Tyson facilities are located in Carthage, Forest & Vicksburg.** <https://www.tysonfoods.com/who-we-are/giving-back/corporate-giving>

DHHS: Grant funds under this announcement will be awarded to public and/or nonprofit private entities to assist in the establishment and operation of voluntary family planning projects which shall offer a broad range of acceptable and effective family planning methods and services, including fertility awareness-based methods (previously referred to as natural family planning), infertility services, and services for adolescents.

CFDA: 93.217. DEADLINE: January 14, 2019.

<https://www.grantsolutions.gov/qs/preaward/previewPublicAnnouncement.do?id=63094>

The **NCAA CHOICES Alcohol Education Grant Program** provides funding for NCAA member institutions and conferences nationwide to integrate athletics into campus-wide efforts to reduce alcohol abuse. The purpose of the

program is to help create an environment that supports and encourages personal choices that are legal, healthy, appropriate, and safe. Funded projects must partner athletics with other campus departments in the development and implementation of effective alcohol education projects. Grant funds to any one program will not exceed \$15,000 for the first year, \$10,000 for the second year, and \$5,000 for the final year of the grant. **DEADLINE: February 13, 2019.** <http://www.ncaa.org/sport-science-institute/ncaa-choices-alcohol-education-grant-program>

The Healthy Food Financing Initiative (HFFI), a public-private partnership administered by Reinvestment Fund on behalf of USDA Rural Development, seeks to improve access to healthy foods in underserved areas. HFFI is currently offering grants ranging from \$25,000 to \$250,000 as well as technical assistance to eligible healthy food retail projects across the country to overcome the higher costs and initial barriers to entry in underserved areas. Funded projects must 1) plan to expand or preserve the availability of staple and perishable foods in underserved areas with low- and moderate-income populations by maintaining or increasing the number of retail outlets that offer an assortment of perishable and staple foods in those areas, and 2) accept benefits under the supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP). Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, for-profit business enterprises, cooperatively-owned businesses, institutions of higher education, state and local governmental agencies, and tribal governmental agencies. CFDA: 10.872. **Deadline: February 14, 2019.** <https://www.investinginfood.com/financial-assistance/>

PUBLIC SAFETY

FM Global is accepting applications for its **Fire Prevention Grant Program**. Grants will be awarded to fire departments and brigades, as well as national, state, regional, local, and community organizations working to support a wide array of fire prevention, preparedness, and control efforts, including pre-fire planning, fire prevention education/training, and arson prevention/fire investigation. Any organization or agency that supports fire prevention is eligible. However, funds must be used for public purposes. **Deadline: March 31, 2019.** <https://fs20.formsite.com/fmglobal/form14/index.html>

VETERANS / MILITARY

The **Enhancing Agricultural Opportunities for Military Veterans Program** provides grants to non-profits to increase the number of military veterans gaining knowledge and skills through comprehensive, hands-on and immersive model farm and ranch programs offered regionally that lead to successful careers in the food and agricultural sector. The program encourages the development of training opportunities specifically designed for military veterans. AgVets projects will offer onsite, hands-on training and classroom education leading to a comprehensive understanding of successful farm and ranch operations and management practices. Projects may also offer workforce readiness and employment prospects for service-disabled veterans. Ensuring there are pathways for military veterans interested in pursuing careers in agriculture — regardless of age or production choice — strengthens agricultural production and rural economies across the United States. NIFA requests applications for the AgVets for fiscal year 2019 (FY19) to provide grants to nonprofit organizations for training programs and services to establish and enhance farming and ranching opportunities for military veterans. CFDA: 10.334. **No cost sharing or matching requirement. DEADLINE: January 10, 2019.** <https://www.nifa.usda.gov/funding-opportunity/enhancing-agricultural-opportunities-military-veterans>

Veterans of Foreign Wars is accepting applications from military service members who have been deployed in the last six years and have run into unexpected financial difficulties as a result of deployment or other military-related activity. Since the program's inception, Unmet Needs has distributed over \$6.75 million in assistance to more than 4,300 qualified military families, with nearly half of those funds going directly toward basic housing needs. The program provides financial assistance of up to \$1,500 to assist with basic life needs in the form of a grant — not a loan — so no repayment is required. **Eligible expenses** include housing and vehicle payments; utility or phone bills; food and incidentals; children's clothing, food, diapers, school, and childcare; and medical bills, prescriptions, and eyeglasses. The hardship must be the result of deployment, a military pay issue, or military-related illness or injury (not civil legal, domestic, misconduct, or any other issue that is the result of spousal separation or divorce; or financial mismanagement by self or others, or due to bankruptcy). **To be eligible**, the applicant must be a service member or eligible dependent listed under the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS). **Deadline: Open.** <https://www.vfw.org/UnmetNeeds/>

OtHeR/OTHERrEhtO

December, 2018		Universal Human Rights Month Safe Toys & Gifts Month
December 7, 1941	-	Attack on Pearl Harbor

December 12-20	-	Chanukah
December 12-24	-	12 Days of Christmas
December 15	-	National Cat Herders Day
December 16	-	National Chocolate Covered Anything Day
December 17, 1903	-	First airplane flies (12 seconds/120 feet)
December 17, 1862	-	Grant expels Jews from TN, KY and MS
December 20, 1862	-	Raid on Holly Springs, Mississippi
December 21	-	Winter Solstice (4:23 p.m.)
		National Ugly Sweater Day
		Humbug Day
December 25	-	History of Christmas
December 26	-	Kwanzaa starts
December 31	-	New Year's Eve

Have a great Holiday Season!
Judy